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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1906.

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received from the work rooms,
both blue and black and a good
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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP
BY THE NEWS MAN.

A. J. Blake of Gilead, was in
town Monday.
Mrs. Carrie Penley's little daugh-
ter has been very ill.

Mrs. Thayer has returned from a
trip to Boston and vicinity.

Mr. Willard Wight of Newry, was
in the village Monday on business.

Mrs. F. E. Hanscom and son,
Robert, went to Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. E. C. Park has been confined
to her home for the past week, by a
severe cold.

Llewellyn Bartlett and his grand-
mother recently visited his aunt,
Mrs. Irving Smith.

Miss Bessie Kenney has returned
from Stratford, N. H., and resumed
her work with Miss Stearns.

Mrs. Eli Stearns' mother, Mrs.
Perkins, has returned to her home
after a visit to her daughters.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet
with Mrs. N. F. Brown, Thursday
afternoon Feb. 22, at half past two.

Mr. E. C. Twitchell of East Bos-
ton, made the News a call last week.
He is visiting friends and relatives
in town.

Miss Lulu Bryant returned the
first of the week from Portland,
where she has been the guest of re-
latives.

Mr. E. C. Staples has moved into
the Odd Fellows' block, where he
has fitted up first class undertaking
rooms.

Mrs. L. T. Barker, who has been
sick of grippé for the past four
weeks is now able to sit up a short
time each day.

Mrs. Seth Walker has returned
from Farmington, where she has
been visiting her daughter, Mrs.
Clinton Metcalf.

The late snow storms must have
been a surprise to the frogs that
were enjoying life in the mill pond
at Baker's mill, in Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rice have
been the guests of Mrs. Rice's par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett and
other relatives for the past few days.

Owing to the storm of last Thurs-
day not as many as usual attended
the Fling Party. The next meet-
ing will be one week from to-morrow,
March 1st.

Mrs. F. L. Edwards entertained
as guests last week her niece, Miss
Marcia Phipps of Berlin, Miss Alice
Wight of Gorham, and Miss Maud
Goud of Milan.

Miss Hattie Foster has returned
from Boston where she went several
weeks ago. While there she under-
went a very critical operation and
she returns much improved in health.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with
Mrs. Fannie Bisbee, Tuesday after-
noon Feb. 27, at 3 o'clock. The
ladies are cordially invited, even if
they are not members of the organi-
zation.

Mr. Clinton Barker has fitted up
pleasant rooms in the building for-
merly occupied by Mr. A. W. Gro-
ver, and will occupy the lower rent
as a residence and work shop.

Mr. Chandler A. Godwin, who has
been working for the Boston Elevat-
ed Ry. Co. for the past two years as
brakeman, has now a good position
as electrician in the signal depart-
ment for the same company.

We are very glad to report the im-
provement of Mr. A. W. Grover who
has not been in good health for
many months and who is now in
Portland for medical treatment. A
letter from him printed in this issue
will be read with interest.

There will be a special meeting of
Sunset Rebekah Lodge next Monday
evening, for the drilling of the de-
gree team and to confer the degree
upon a candidate. All members of
the degree team are earnestly re-
quested to be present and a good
attendance is desired.

Bernard Barker has rooms in H.
A. Packard's house.

Miss Ethel Randall has been en-
tertaining her cousin from Portland.
The Ladies' Club will meet with
Mrs. F. B. Tuell Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tenney have moved
into Mrs. Leach's rent on Clark
street.

There will be an Epworth League
social at the home of Miss Lucy
Fox, Thursday evening, Feb. 22.

Mrs. Hannah Stearns, who has
been spending the winter with her
granddaughter, Miss Ethel Richard-
son, went to Norway today.

Mrs. Alice Farwell is ill with the
prevailing epidemic.

Mrs. T. J. Foster has returned
from a number of weeks' visit in
Newry.

Miss Josephine Leighton of Shel-
burne, N. H., is visiting friends in
town.

Forrest Keene who was threatened
with pneumonia is now able to be
about the house.

Mrs. C. W. Hobbs of Worcester,
Mass., is visiting her sisters, the
Misses Twitchell.

Mrs. I. H. Wight has been con-
fined to her home the past week by
a bad throat trouble.

Mrs. E. C. Park and Mrs. E. S.
Kilborn have been entertaining their
niece, Miss Stearns.

Austin Jodrey who has been sick
for several weeks has returned to his
work at the Chair Factory.

Mrs. C. L. Davis has been ill for a
number of weeks. Her friends are
glad to notice an improvement in
her condition.

Mr. H. C. Andrews has been con-
fined to the house the past fortnight
with a lame foot caused by a bad
jam while handling wood.

Miss Keene who came to Bethel
to visit her brother, and has been ill
at the home of G. L. Thurston re-
turned to her home, Monday.

The Columbian Club will meet
with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook, Friday
afternoon of March 2, at half past
two. Subjects of study; Fra Filippo,
Sandro Botticelli and Filippino
Lippi.

Roy Thurston only son of Mr.
and Mrs. Guy Thurston has been
critically ill since last Friday with
pneumonia. His condition is now
thought to be slightly improved and
all hope for a speedy recovery.
Miss Glendenning a trained nurse
from Portland is caring for him.

There was a Valentine supper and
entertainment at the Universalist
chapel, last Wednesday evening.

The weather was not inviting and
yet a goodly number were present.
Baked beans, salads, cold meats and
pastry of all kinds were served. The
entertainment which followed the
supper was informal but a pleasing
program was presented.

The Misses Boothby and Mason,
after 13 years of successful business
in Berlin, have sold their entire busi-
ness. Not only have they been suc-
cessful in business but in social life
as they have been prominent in so-
cial and religious affairs, especially
in the Universalist church and in
the work of the Ladies' Circle of that
church. Miss Alice Circle served
four years on the school board and
is now serving her fourth year as
trustee of the library, and their
many friends in the city regret to
learn that they are to leave Berlin.
Miss Boothby will continue her work
as milliner but Miss Mason will
come to the home of her mother in
Bethel, where she will be gladly wel-
comed by her home friends. By an-
other fall they expect to engage in
business again together.

For Sale.
Bay colt nine months old or
would exchange for young cow.
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Dr. J. C. Fletcher

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this
column at eight cents per line, reckoning
seven words to the line.

I saw it among the Business Pointers.

H. N. Upton has a pair of young
heavy horses to sell, also sleds and har-
nesses.

A few more golf gloves only 19 & 38
cents, at L. M. Stearns'.

New lot rushing, at L. M. Stearns'.

Basket Ball.

Last Friday evening saw the best
basket ball game for the season,
thus far, at the G. A. Gymnasium
between Gould's and the Sophomore
class team of Bates College.

Although the game was recorded
as a victory for the visiting team,
yet it was considered by all to be
the greatest victory of the season
for Gould's. The visiting team is
the best team in Bates College made
up of strong, muscular, and carefully
trained men, a team which would be
expected to win an easy victory from
our home team and one which evi-
dently went into the game with a
feeling that it would be a case of
"child's play." It was a different
sort of "child's play" however than
they had anticipated. Every man
on the home team went into the
game with a vengeance and played
the first half with a vengeance to the
finish with a result of 20 to 8 in
Gould's favor.

Bates had brought extra men and
two of them were gotten ready in a
hurry for the second half, and it was
indeed fortunate for them that they
had those extra men, for had the
game continued man for man as in
the first half, Gould's would have
won a sweeping victory, but being
partially exhausted from their stren-
uous efforts in the first half and be-
ing paired with fresh men, placed
them at a disadvantage which could
not be overcome, and at the call of
time the score was a tie 26 to 26.

This made it necessary to play until
another goal was thrown. The visit-
ing team was the fortunate one to
throw the first goal and the game
was ended with a score of 28 to 26
in Bates favor. Hence the game
was recorded as above, yet to be
able to play a tie game against such
a team as this, Gould's certainly
achieved the greatest game of the
season.

Another game will be played to-
night between Gould's and the
Edward Little High School. This
bids fair to be another hot contest
and will be witnessed with much
interest.

Prize Declamations.

The annual Prize Declamations of
Gould's Academy will occur in
Odeon Hall, Friday evening Mar. 2.
The following students will compete
for the prizes. Myra Forbes, Verna
Kilgore, Florence Mercier, Neda
Richardson, Philip Barker, Ernest
Holmes, Fitzmaurice Vail, Harold
Young. Good music will be furnish-
ed for the occasion, and competent
judges will award the prizes. The
full programme will be given next
week.

Acetylene Blow-Up.

The acetylene gas plant in the store
of J. E. Pike of West Bethel, blew
up last Monday evening, damaging
to quite an extent the store and
goods and burning Mr. Pike quite
seriously.

No explanation can be given of
the cause of the blow up. It came
unannounced as such things are
wont to come. All had been going
well during the evening, but as Mr.
Pike had begun turning the lights
off for the night the remaining ones
began to burn with greater brillian-
cy and in an instant the explosion
came. Everything received a gener-
al shaking up and Mr. Pike was for-
tunate to escape with his life. He
is confined to his house on account
of his injuries but hopes to have an
early recovery.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
Digests what you eat.

Communication.
Portland, Me. Feb. 19, 1906.
Dear Editor:—

As I have been here
since Dec. 19th, I have not enjoyed
the News every week but only occa-
sionally. I am improving slowly
and hope to be back in Bethel in the
near future to stay. Shall go up the
first of March to be at town meeting
and attend to the quarterly vouchers
for the old comrades. It is an in-
teresting place for one to while away
leisure time down by the wharves,
such a busy place cannot be imagin-
ed unless one has been there. Large
steamers from Liverpool are there
nearly all the time unloading and
loading all kinds of freight. Last
Saturday four large ones left as fol-
lows, the Dominion for Liverpool; the
Manxman, for Bristol; the Hurona,
for London; and the Hibernian, for
Glasgow, all heavily loaded. For ex-
ample, the Hibernian's cargo was
as follows; 40,000 bushels wheat,
50,000 bushels oats, 30 cars meat,
10,000 boxes cheese, 11 cars paper,
700 bbl. apples, 2 cars flour, 800
boxes butter, 5 cars hay, 2 cars sun-
dries, 500 bundles dowels and 545
head of cattle.

These monsters of the waters are
iron plated and draw, when loaded,
from 32 to 38 feet of water. Every
time they are in port they are given
a new coat of tar above the water.
The most of them have three sets of
windlass for lowering and raising
freight; with these the heaviest labor
is made easy, two men will attend to
the packages as they come up from
the hold, one of which will signal
the man at the wheel, with a slight
motion of the hand, when the ma-
chine will stop, start, go fast or slow
and come up spoken; as the pack-
age comes up swinging in mid air,
it is lowered to a truck by two other
men and taken to the freight shed.
Anyone making a trip to the city
will find it interesting to spend a few
hours watching the work around
the wharves.

Yours,
A. W. Grover,
Roberts—Barker.

On Wednesday at high noon at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua
Roberts in Hanover, occurred the
marriage of their daughter Helen to
Mr. Gilbert C. Barker, the marriage
ceremony being performed by the
same clergyman that united the fa-
ther and mother of the bride in
Hanover on May 31st, 1879—Rev.
G. B. Hannaford.

A bachelor minister is not sup-
posed to notice the dresses worn by
the young ladies but he did notice
that Miss Roberts was dressed very
prettily. She carried in her hand a
beautiful bouquet of pinks, an em-
blem of her pure sweet life. The ring
service was used. After the cere-
mony was performed, the happy cou-
ple were introduced to twelve guests,
and then all sat down to a table that
was loaded with choice food and
feasted there nearly an hour.

Among the presents we noticed
gold pieces amounting to twenty-
five dollars, a five dollar bank note,
lots of silverware, table linen, towels,
books and pictures. Better than all
this the couple have the best wishes
of a host of friends.

After spending two weeks in
Aroostook county, they will return
to Hanover and there live among
their friends and in their childhood
home.

CHURCH NOTES

METHODIST.
Morning Preaching Service at 10.45.
Sunday School 12.00.
Epworth League 6.15.
Evening Preaching Service 7.15.
Next Friday evening, Feb. 23, at 7.30,
the Presiding Elder, Rev. Chas. F. Par-
son, will preach, after which will be the
Communion Service, followed by the
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A SNOW ROLLER.

Machine with Which the Roads in
Winter May Be Kept Passable
by Farmers.

In sections where heavy snowfall
persists throughout the winter, the
snow roller is one of the most econom-
ical devices that can be used for road
breaking. Great success has attended
the use of this tool in Maine and Ver-
mont, where the problem of keeping the
roads passable during the cold win-
ter months is particularly difficult of
solution.

A road roller consists of two sections
six to eight feet in diameter, each
section about five feet long, built about
a central axle. These rollers may be
made of two-inch hard wood, of any
sort which is heavy and durable. A
roller composed of two five-foot sec-
tions is preferable, since a heavy road-
way ten feet wide is quite sufficient
and by having the roller in sections
it is more manageable. Large, heavy
land rollers may be used for this pur-
pose, but rollers especially designed for
newly fallen snow may be constructed
at comparatively small cost.

In sections where these rollers have
been used, says the Orange Judd Farm-
er, four, six or eight horses are hitch-
ed, according to the depth of the snow-
fall and the weight of the roller. Where
deep drifts exist they will sometimes
have to be spread with the shovel, to
allow horses to wade through.

In sections where these rollers have
been adopted by the road supervisors,
the region is divided into districts, for
each of which a roller is provided. After
a heavy snowfall, the roller is drawn
over the road at once by the person in
charge, who is held responsible for his
particular section of the highway.

GRAVEL FOR CLAY ROADS.

How the Farmers in One Section of
Minnesota Obtained a Splen-
did Highway.

No work has been needed on a half-
mile piece of road since it was well
graveled 12 years ago. The roadbed is
smooth and almost as hard as a paved
street, but before it was gravelled there
was not a worse piece of road in the
country. When wet the clay would
stick to wheels as pitch and when it
became dry it would bake as hard as
brick and it was always badly cut up
and so extremely rough that it could
only be passed by teams at a slow
walk.

There was no money in the road
treasury to make any permanent im-
provement on it, explains the Minne-
sota correspondent of Farm and Home,
so the parties interested finally decided
to have the work done by special do-
nation. Accordingly all interested put
in one day each hauling gravel, which
they simply dropped one load after
another in the middle of the road, one
load of gravel per wagon length. A
year of two later the road was covered
with gravel in the same way. It is
now in the best condition and passable
at all seasons with heavy loads with-
out danger of being stuck.

The gravel should be put on 12 to 18
inches deep, in order to make the im-
provement permanent. In my imme-
diate neighborhood where it is too far
to haul gravel, we have used a large
quantity of coarse sand taken from the
lake shore, and placed it upon the bed
of earth roads which consist principal-
ly of a very heavy and sticky black
loam. Where it has been properly ap-
plied in liberal quantities, it has made
a great improvement in our earth
roads.

The Neighbors.
Mrs. Bricktop (bursting with pride)—
How d'ye like my new carpet, Mrs.
Crosseye?
Mrs. Crosseye (bursting with envy)—
It's—er—very nice, indeed, Mrs. Brick-
top, fer—fer Brussels. By the way, I
nearly forgot what I came for. I wish
you would lend me your lawn-mower
a few moments.
"Lawn-mower? Why, certainly. But
what on earth can you want of a lawn-
mower this time of the year?"
"I desire to thin down our velvet car-
pet in the nursery a little, the children
are always losing their marbles in it."
N. Y. Weekly.

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tute offered as no other preparation

will give the same satisfaction. It is

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and is safest for children and delicate

persons. The Wiley Pharmacy.

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IN MEDICAL CIRCLES.

Austrian and German physicians have fixed on coffee as one of the causes of epilepsy.

Many cases of deafness now under treatment by London physicians are attributable by them to influenza.

Apparently healthy persons frequently carry diphtheria germs in the mouth, thereby infecting eating and drinking utensils, and in this way they may be instrumental in spreading the disease.

Dr. Koch, the famous German scientist, is to take charge of an expedition to investigate the sleeping sickness in German East Africa. The German colonial department has, it is said, given a great sum of money toward the expenses of the expedition.

When the floor of the operating theater of the old hospital at Canterbury, England, was torn up the other day the rings were discovered through which were passed the cords for tying patients down on the operating table prior to the discovery of anesthetics.

An application has been made by the Japanese government to the British General Medical Council, asking it to recognize the degrees of Japanese medical practitioners in various parts of the British empire. It is in the Straits Settlements that the Japanese doctors particularly wish leave to practice at present.

A member of the British Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons says: "The growth of quack dog doctors and bogus medicines during the last few years has been simply appalling. These 'dog specialists,' as they call themselves, are usually dog dealers with good knowledge of canine habits but absolute ignorance of medicine."

A Japanese scientist named Matsura has been studying the effects of diseases and the varying physical state of the body upon the growth and thickness of the hair. He finds that hair, especially in the case of persons whose hair is of coarse structure, is so sensitive to bodily condition that it contains a veritable history of the state of the individual to whom it belongs, for the period covered by its growth.

In the rabies treatment of Tizoni and Bongiovanni, Italian physicians, radium has had effective action both upon the virus and the animals. Exposure to radium rays has converted the virus into very active vaccine, protecting animals against deadly inoculations with virus; and exposures of several hours daily for six days, begun from ten to 100 hours after inoculation, have reduced the fever and caused the recovery of the animals experimented upon, while all untreated animals similarly inoculated soon died.

RELIGIOUS REPORT.

Gwili, the Welsh bard, has just finished to his satisfaction a sermon on which he has been engaged for 15 years.

Joseph Nix, the Wesleyan reformer, took 3,845 signatures to the pledge in a nine days' gospel temperance meeting in Bradford, England.

Cardinal Gibbons, since his arrival in Baltimore has ordained 1,256 priests. He has also conferred the biretta on Cardinal Satoli and Cardinal Martinelli.

Missionaries of the American Methodist church speak no fewer than 37 languages. There are 5,000 of these workers and 150,000 Christians under them.

The Roman Catholic bishops of Ireland have issued a circular to be read in all the chapels of the four provinces warning the young generation against the evils of emigration.

Bishop McCabe has delivered his great lecture on the "Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison" 1,500 times and \$200,000 has been brought into the church treasury by the same.

Ex-Representative H. Kirke Portet, who represented Pittsburg in the last congress, will make a tour of the world to raise \$1,500,000 for Baptist missions. This money will be used to endow schools in foreign lands.

When the Y. M. C. A. was started on June 6, 1844, it had 12 members, and its weekly expenditure amounted to half a crown. Now it owns buildings valued at over £6,000,000, and has a membership well over 500,000.

An interdenominational missionary society, known as the United London Missionary society, has been formed in Great Britain with headquarters at Sheffield, its field being North Nigeria, its first station being Wase, 400 miles from the mouth of the Niger.

United Presbyterians are one of the four principal bodies of Christians bearing the Presbyterian name. There has been talk of union between the Cumberland and two other principal bodies, but the United has not been included. The United body numbers about 120,000.

PERT AND POINTED.

Repentance that comes after detection is not the real thing.

Like garrets, many men's minds are filled with useless things.

Some strokes of good luck are almost as bad as strokes of lightning.

A wise married man will never attempt to give advice to a bachelor.

Do not judge the ability of a woman's tongue by the size of her mouth.

When an honorable man steals a kiss he is never satisfied until he returns it.

An old bachelor is fortunate in not having to pose as a model for his sister's children.

Love may laugh at locksmiths, but it always frowns on the furniture installment collector.

Some good advice: Before calling a man a liar be sure you are right—then use a telephone.

ORCHARD BRUSH BURNER.

Novel Contrivance for Destroying the Tree Prunings Without Hauling Out of Orchard.

When I was in southern Oregon not long ago I saw what was to me a new implement. It was, a homemade affair that was the outgrowth of the necessity for getting rid of orchard prunings. H. F. Meader, of Jackson county, Oregon who is an up-to-date orchardist, conceived the plan of building a portable brush burner, in which the refuse left after pruning could be got rid of without the trouble of hauling it out of the orchards. He made a frame or running gear of four poles about six inches in diameter, using two for axletrees, about seven feet long and on top of these two others about ten feet long were bolted near the ends, forming a rectangle. To the under side of one was fastened a round iron rod, whose projecting ends were used as spindles for two old farm implement wheels about a foot in diameter. These wheels were held in place by linchpins that were put through holes made in the ends of the spindles, at the blacksmith shop on the farm. The burner proper was a huge iron basket or crate, about six by ten feet on the bottom by two feet deep, made of old wagon tires riveted together. The meshes of this crate were nearly a foot in diameter, which was sufficiently close to hold the brush. The bottom was covered with old sheet iron scraps to keep the coals from falling through and thus hold the fire. On one end, which was the front, and next where the team was to be hitched, it was sided up to the top with sheet iron, to prevent too much radiation of heat in that direction. Chains or iron rods were fastened to the front end and extended about ten feet forward to put the team a proper distance from the fire. This crude apparatus, made on the farm out of old scraps, served a most excellent purpose. It was taken into the orchard where the brush was on the ground, a fire kindled in it, and as the brush was piled on and consumed it was dragged forward and more brush added, until one row after the other was burned and out of the way. Mr. Meader told me that some of his neighbors made fun of it, and thought it was not practical, but a few borrowed it of him, and now there are several in the vicinity.

When I first saw the burner near a tool shed I did not instantly catch the idea of its use, but only a word, was necessary to convey the thought of

its saving of time and labor, explains the correspondent of the Rural New Yorker. It is inexpensive to make and thoroughly practical in use. It may be that other brush burners have been made, but Mr. Meader said he had never heard of one, and invented his as an expedient to save time and trouble. The idea is one of the best that I have met in many years, and deserves to be put into practice all over the country, where orchards exist. To get rid of the prunings in such an easy way is a great saving, for they are troublesome and bulky. It costs a good deal to handle them once, especially to load them on a wagon or sled, haul them to some distant place, and then make a bonfire of them; but when they can be put on a movable fire, little by little, and got rid of in a short time, once for all, it is a great economy of time and labor.

There might be some improvements added to the crude implement, as described, such as an iron running gear, although this is not important, for the fire had not burned the wooden frame. However, if there was an iron frame the bottom could be left partially open, that there might be better access of air from below, to cause quicker burning and allow the ashes to drop through readily. The top should be larger than the bottom, so the brush would go in easily. Four wheels would be better than two; for they would lessen the draft on the team. It is not desirable to build a very large fire, for fear of scorching the trees on either side and making it uncomfortable for the men and team in attendance. Two men, or perhaps one, would be enough to gather and burn the brush, with the aid of a blacksmith and at little expense, provided there is no force on the farm to lessen the cost still more. The frame should not be weak, or it might heat and sag to the ground. Let there be hundreds of these brush burners made without delay by our orchardists and put to use. Several neighbors might own and use one together. This will turn the brush into ashes and spread them in the orchards, where they should be, and save about half the expense of getting rid of the brush. This convenient vehicle is shown in our illustration.

Trimming Trees in February. The last time I trimmed my young apple orchard, I did it in February. It never bore better than it did after that. I think this is a better rule than to do the work earlier. If I could not trim in February, I would wait till June.

Wrapping Fruit. Wrapping apples and other fruits in paper promotes a uniform temperature, and prevents decay. Besides this, such prepared fruit always has a pleasing appearance, which certainly aids in the selling.

Walking Home. "I suppose," said young Kallow, "once you get over your first stage fright nothing ever confuses you."

"Well," replied Lowe Comedy, "only a week ago I came near getting badly mixed up."

"Really, I was under the impression that the glare of the footlights—"

"But it was the glare of the headlights that startled me. There was a train on the up-track and another on the down-track."—Philadelphia Press.

Meters and Meteors.

"Pop!"

"Yes, my son?"

"Is a meter and a meteor the same thing?"

"No, my son; a meter is a thing which is supposed to tell the amount of gas a man uses, and a meteor is something which comes down from the sky. Nobody ever knew a gas meter to do anything but go up."—Yonkers Statesman.

No Fight Here.

Grigsby—There is not a vestige of truth in your assertion.

Snigsby (furious)—Do you mean to say I am telling lies?

Grigsby—I do.

Snigsby (walking off)—Then why didn't you say so like a man? I hate fellows that beat about the bush.—Tit-Bits.

These Brutal Officials.

"And now, George," sobbed the bride who was starting on a visit to her mother's, "I must bid you a long farewell!"

"You'll have to make it a short one if you're leaving on this train," put in an unfeeling conductor. "All aboard!"—Cleveland Leader.

Friendly Advice.

Fred—I wish I had nerve enough to propose to Miss Peachleigh.

Tom—All you need to do is to tell her you are engaged to another girl.

Fred—Why should I do that?

Tom—Then she'd get busy and try to take you away from the other girl.

—Washington Star.

Wanted, It Large.

He was an old merchant who devoted much time to his advertising.

"John," said his wife, "what do you want on your tombstone?"

"Oh," he answered, "it isn't important what the text is, so long as it gets good space and is well displayed."—Tit-Bits.

Sure Thing.

"Pop!"

"Yes, my son."

"What is it a man loses, and then can't tell you what it is until he finds it?"

"I really don't know, my son."

"Why, his breath!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Why He Was Bad.

Mamma—Now, look here, Tommy, didn't I give you a penny yesterday to be good?

Tommy—Yes, ma; and I'm trying to be as bad as I can to-day, just to let you see that you got a good penny-worth yesterday.—Tit-Bits.

Appropriate.

Publisher—I am getting out a new cook-book for brides that is bound to make a hit.

Bookseller—Why do you think so?

Publisher—Because it has the funeral service in the appendix.—Washington Star.

Mostly Duplicates.

"I have always maintained," declared Clarence, "that no two people on earth think alike."

"You'll change your mind," said Florence, "when you look over our wedding presents."—Cleveland Leader.

Sufficient Unto Day Is Glory Thereof.

I don't want to leave my footprints on the sands of time to lie; 'Twill content me if my shoes creak Good and loud as I pass by.

—N. Y. Sun.

THAT MOUSE.

The size it appeared to poor dear Lardi, and how it looked to Scarem, the intelligent moggy. Now, which was right?

Good Stock.

"She lives in Pittsburg."

"What sort of stock does she come of?"

"Steel. First preferred."—Chicago Sun.

A Real Pleasure.

Knicker—Do you like to go to the poultry show?

Subbubs—Yes; I know those particular fowl can't dig up my seeds.—N. Y. Sun.

Has No Chance.

"Did you consider marriage a game of chance, Mr. Henpeck?"

"Mine isn't."—Houston Post.

Nervous Women

Their Sufferings Are Usually Due to Female Disorders Perhaps Unsuspected

A MEDICINE THAT CURES

Can we dispute the well-known fact that American women are nervous?

How often do we hear the expression, "I am so nervous, it seems as if I should fly," or, "Little things annoy you and make you irritable; you can't sleep, you are unable to quietly and calmly perform your daily tasks or care for your children."

The relation of the nerves and generative organs in woman is so close that nine-tenths of the nervous prostration, nervous debility, the blues, sleeplessness and nervous irritability arise from some derangement of the organism which makes her a woman.

Fits of depression or restlessness and irritability; spirits easily affected, so that one minute she laughs, the next minute weeps; pain in the abdominal region and between the shoulders; fits of voice; nervous dyspepsia; a tendency to cry at the least provocation—all these point to nervous prostration.

Nothing will relieve this distressing condition and prevent months of prostration and suffering so surely as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Mrs. M. E. Shotwell, of 103 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., writes:

"I cannot express the wonderful relief I have experienced by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I suffered for a long time with nervous prostration, backache, headache, loss of appetite. I could not sleep and would walk the floor almost every night."

"I had three doctors and got no better, and life was a burden. I was advised to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it has worked wonders for me."

"I am a well woman, my nervousness is all gone, and my friends say I look ten years younger."

Will not the volumes of letters from women made strong by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound convince all women of its virtues? Surely you cannot wish to remain sick, weak and discouraged, exhausted each day, when you can be as easily cured as other women.

Honesty the Best Policy.

He (trying to play a trump card)—As I passed your house last evening I thought I heard an angel sing.

She (stiffly)—I was at the theater last evening. Mrs. Mulhooly and her twins were at our house visiting the cook.—N. Y. Weekly.

How Costs Count Up.

Husband—How is this? Your dressmaker sends in two bills for that dress—one for \$40 and the other for \$50.

Wife—It's all right, dear. The \$40 is for making the dress. The \$50 is for making it fit me.—N. Y. Weekly.

Frightfully Burned.

Chas. W. Moore, a machinist, of Ford City, Pa., had his hand frightfully burned in an electrical furnace.

He applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve with the usual result: "a quick and perfect cure." Greatest healer on earth for Burns, Wounds, Sores, Eczema and Piles. 25c at The Wiley Pharmacy.

The New Congressman.

He dreamed of how he would orate and found these musings pleasant; But the only speech he's made to date We quote verbatim: "Present."

Failed.

All efforts have failed to find a better remedy for coughs, colds and lung troubles than Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold.

"Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." The Wiley Pharmacy.

Good to His Folks.

"Why don't you have the snow cleaned off your sidewalk?" asked the neighbor.

"Because," answered Mr. Lobrow, "I think a lot of my family and wouldn't deprive it of any pleasure. You have no idea how it amuses the children to see people slip and fall down."—Washington Star.

Timely and Valuable Suggestions.

Many people, especially women who lead closely confined domestic lives, suffer from what in general terms is called "nervousness." Among all forms of treatment none has even approached in success the intelligent use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y., which promotes easy and natural action of the digestive organs and imparts tone to the nervous system.

ABOUT BEING CAPTURED.

Two Thrilling Incidents of the War

OUT BEING CAPTURED.

Thrilling Incidents of the War as Related by Eye Witnesses of Them.

account of how I was made a prisoner (said a comrade) will be a one. The affair was exciting; but it began and ended so quickly that I have hardly got over the surprise of it yet. I was a captain in the 19th of October, 1864, and I was roused up before daylight by a heavy firing over on the left. Some one was evidently wrong, and we had horses saddled at once. We were with Sheridan's staff, the stone—the "Hite House," I have since called it—in rear of our first division. I was dispatched over to the "to see what the trouble was and I did not reach the "pike" intently; there was a great deal of firing, and I to prevent, and as for fighting, I never saw the Nineteenth again till the next spring.

morning was foggy, and it was possible to see a man at that hour than a few rods off, but I could see flashes of the muskets of some regiments of our corps, and I met men from the Eighth in large numbers coming to the rear. A great noise of shouting, and a yell that was never by any but southern soldiers, was from the left, and I saw enough, I think, to tell me that there was an attack and a retreat. I would have been well for me if I had been satisfied that I had thus far discovered, I went back to headquarters with my horse. I should certainly have "headquarters in the saddle," and I never saw the Nineteenth again till the next spring.

But I wanted to do my whole duty. I was anxious to see the whole thing with my own eyes, that I might have a faithful report, and on I went. I avoided the streams of fugitives, I went off to the left, intending to go to the pike rather below the line of the retreat. I had not ridden far when I came upon a line of soldiers. The meeting was so in the obscurity of the fog, that I seemed to rise out of the ground. I saw that they were gray, and I saw that they had a musket. I saw now that I had acted with the greatest promptness I might have and galloped back uninjured. I saw that I had been taken and then again I might have been killed dead off my horse trying to pull it back to town, yesterday!"—Yonkers Statesman.

SEED TIME

The experienced farmer has learned that some grains require far different soil than others; some crops need different handling than others. He knows that a great deal depends upon right planting at the right time, and that the soil must be kept enriched. No use of complaining in summer about a mistake made in the spring. Decide before the seed is planted.

The best time to remedy wasting conditions in the human body is before the evil is too deep rooted. At the first evidence of loss of flesh Scott's Emulsion should be taken immediately. There is nothing that will repair wasted tissue more quickly or replace lost flesh more abundantly than Scott's Emulsion. It nourishes and builds up the body when ordinary foods absolutely fail.

We will send you a sample free.



SCOTT'S EMULSION
409 Pearl Street
NEW YORK
Sole and all
all druggists

One-Horse Machine.

Redd—I thought that was a 40-horse power machine of yours?

Greene—So it is.

"Well, I noticed it only took one horse to pull it back to town, yesterday!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Good Bracer.

"Do you think money has any influence on one's health?" asked the patient.

"Certainly!" replied the doctor. "It's the best thing in the world to strengthen a weak backbone!"—Detroit Free Press.

A Definition.

"What is your idea of success?" "Success," answered the cynic, "consists in making enough stir about your achievements to cause your failures to be overlooked."—Washington Star.

Then He Subsided.

"Did this chicken die or was it killed?" asked the patron of the restaurant, sarcastically.

"Both," replied the waiter, sticking out his chin.—Houston Post.

A Matter of Locality.

"You don't mean to say he spanked the child in a public place?" "No. He spanked him in the usual place, but right out there before everybody."—Judge.

No Procrastination.

"Warren proposed to Daisy by mail, and she sent a most laconic reply." "What was it?" "Yours in haste, Daisy."—Town Topics.

The Digg Sisters.

"I didn't see you at Mrs. Hignuppe's reception yesterday." "Weren't you invited?"—Houston Post.

Don't deceive yourself. If you have indigestion take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It will relieve you. Rev. W. E. Horcutt, South Mills, N. C., says: "I was troubled with chronic indigestion for several years; whatever I ate seemed to cause heartburn, sour stomach, fluttering of my heart, and general depression of mind and body. My druggist recommended Kodol, and it has relieved me. I can now eat anything and sleep soundly at night. Kodol digests what you eat." DW

Confederate Pensions.

Texas, in the fiscal years 1906 and 1907, will pay \$800,000 to confederate veterans for pensions, besides expending \$154,638 for the support of the confederate home.

Dog Meat in Berlin.

Three thousand dogs were passed as being fit for food by the Berlin inspection staff. There is almost as much of a fad for dog meat in Berlin as there is for horse flesh in Paris.

Have you been betrayed by promises of quacks, swallowed pills and bottled medicine without results except a damaged stomach. To those who offer Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, 35 cents. The Wiley Pharmacy.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
Mild Kidneys and Bladder Right

RUMORED OF ROYALTY.

Prince Louis of Battenberg has another distinction besides that of having paid a dentist \$1,000 for the filling of four teeth. He is a printer and can set up his 1,000 ems in very good time.

Princess Ena of Battenberg, who is reported to be engaged to the king of Spain, is the only royal child born in Scotland for more than 300 years—that is, since the birth of Charles I. in 1600.

Queen Aamarolo of Madagascar has recently realized a long-cherished ambition by paying a visit to Paris. While there she enjoyed the felicity of having her allowance increased from \$6,000 to \$10,000.

Among the celebrations connected with the "name day" of Francis Joseph, of Austria, is the giving of money to servants long in the service of one family. Eleven women received \$65.50 each, and the others \$41.50.

King Carlos of Portugal, an artist of considerable ability, usually sends his paintings as gifts. One recently presented to the king of Italy is so executed that in one position it represents a sunrise on the sea, but, if turned around, becomes a sunset on the plain.

Queen Maud of Norway will need little tuition in the speech of her new realm, for she took to the Danish language with instinctive ease during her girlhood. The differences between the two languages, both in vocabulary and pronunciation, are principally dialectic.

The German empress, in addition to jewels worth \$500,000 that are her own private property, has the right to use the splendid collection of gems that belong to the Prussian treasury. The empress is thus able to sometimes appear at court wearing jewelry valued at \$1,250,000.

Lewis Nixon, the naval contractor, tells of a recent interview with the czar: "I had a private audience with his majesty three weeks ago. He stood erect as a soldier while he talked for half an hour. He is in perfect physical condition. There is not a gray hair in his head. The general impression he gave me was one of confidence."

The earl of Halsbury, who on the change of the ministry resigned the chancellorship of England, retires at the advanced age of 80 years on a liberal pension of \$25,000 and Baron Ashbourne, the chancellor of Ireland, at the comparatively youthful age of 68, on a pension of \$20,000. During 16 years of office Lord Halsbury has received for official salary a sum nearly equal to \$1,000,000, exclusive of the comfortable pension to the end of his days.

IN VARIOUS LANDS.

News comes from Strassburg that a large bust of the late President Kruger, destined to mark his grave in Pretoria, has just been completed by a sculptor at Saargemund, Lorraine.

All parts of Africa, except Abyssinia, Morocco and Liberia, are controlled directly or indirectly by some European power. French Africa is about equal in area to half the United States.

The official report of the French minister of commerce sets forth that the excess of births over deaths reported in France for the year 1904 is 57,026, as against an excess in 1903 of 73,106.

Paris taximeter cabs are to be fitted with small electric lamps, which will be at the service of the passenger upon slipping a small coin in a slot. The light will glow for about half an hour for each coin.

At Gera, Germany, a man who had had a tooth pulled sued the dentist for the tooth, the dentist desiring to keep it on account of its curious shape and claiming ownership of it. The courts decided against the dentist.

Japan has a new periodical, Tegami Zasshi, the aim of which is to teach the writing of sensible letters. The editor warns his readers, among other things, against the habit of introducing sentimental phrases into business letters.

Thieves recently entered the home once occupied by Dante and possessed themselves of relics of the great poet. There they left scribbled on the walls a statement, that the Florentines were fools because of having salable articles and not knowing it.

Switzerland has adopted mid-European time, the true local time for Berne being just half an hour later. The result of putting the working hours 30 minutes earlier in the day had such an effect on the consumption of gas that the gas company has been demanding a return to the old system.

BOTANICAL BITS.

Plants are said to grow faster between the hours of four and six a. m. than at any other time.

Coltsfoot leaves, well dried, were smoked in England prior to the introduction of tobacco.

The passion-flower, which grows in the South American forests, fades almost as soon as it is picked.

Sea weeds do not obtain nourishment from the soil at the bottom of the sea, but from the matter contained in sea water.

WISPS OF WIT.

Nobody should look anxious except those who have anxiety.

A man may be what he thinks he is and still not what he claims to be.

What we call the heart is a nervous sensation, like shyness, which gradually disappears in society.

Be frank and explicit. That is the right line to take when you wish to conceal your own mind and to confuse that of others.

The Jar of Coughing

Hammer blows, steadily applied, break the hardest rock. Coughing, day after day, jars and tears the throat and lungs until the healthy tissues give way. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral stops the coughing, and heals the torn membranes.

The best kind of a testimonial—"Sold for over sixty years."

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of Sarsaparilla, Pills, Hair Vigor. We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines. Biliousness, constipation retard recovery. Cure these with Ayer's Pills.

BITS AND BREVITIES.

The dog known as a Manchester black-and-tan is the latest London canine fashion. Good specimens are quoted at \$500.

Living under the same roof at Kokomo, Ind., there are a 16-year-old mother, a 32-year-old grandmother and a 52-year-old great-grandmother.

According to La Tribuna di Roma, one of the gaiters worn by Garibaldi when he was wounded in the battle of Aspromonte August 28, 1862, has been presented to the mayor of Rome.

The area devoted to corn in Kansas in 1905 was 6,799,755 acres, an increase over that of 1904 of 305,597 acres, or 4.7 per cent. The average yield to the acre for the entire state was 28 bushels.

Referring to the transition stage of the orient, Bishop Hamilton said to the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal church, in San Francisco, the other day: "We are to see the future history of the world through the Golden Gate."

Baseball has found a foothold in the City of Mexico, and is to gain further interest from the opening of grounds devoted to this sport at Chapultepec. There is the famous castle where President Diaz is at home, as well as the military academy of Mexico. On holidays and Sundays very large crowds resort thither to hear the band concerts. Finance Minister Limantour is ready to give a concession on grounds there for 20 years, provided \$20,000 is expended in improvements.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1905.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., TOLEDO, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Annoyed.

"Were you annoyed while on the witness stand?" "Slightly," answered the great corporation magnate. "The judge and one or two other people in the court room seemed to think they were quite as important as myself."—Washington Star.

Sure to Come.

Mr. Suburban—Do you expect any visitors to-night, my dear? Mrs. S.—Well, considering that Bridget is going to leave, baby is teething, the cellar is flooded, and the grocer hasn't called for two days—yes, I do.—Tit Bits.

A Contributor.

"I should like to contribute more than I do to conversation," said young Mr. Muddle.

"Your mere presence contributes." "Conversation, you know, is largely made up of polite nothings."—Washington Star.

One Better.

Marrying for love is great and lovers never rue it; But marrying for love and wealth Is much superior to it.—Houston Post.

A NATURAL CONCLUSION.



Mrs. Noolywed—Oh, Jack! there is the tramp I gave my biscuits to last week. Noolywed—It must be his ghost.—Chicago Journal.

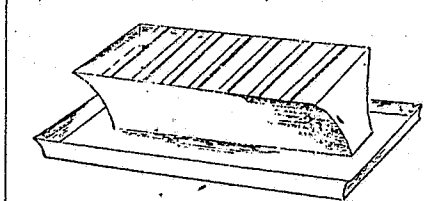
POULTRY AND BEES

CUT GREEN BONE.

The Most Economical Feed When Fed Judiciously—A Good Feed Box to Use.

This article on the use of cut green bone was secured for the benefit of our readers who desire to have the most thoroughly up-to-date information on this subject, which has direct bearing upon the question of winter-egg production, says the Country Gentleman. When it is possible to have the cut green bone within the limit of an outlay that will not exceed the value of the eggs produced, no kind of food will equal it in value as an egg producer. In localities where the raw material can be obtained it is very largely used to advantage; those who use it admit that it excels all other kind of animal food for the laying hen.

We give below a design for feed box, made of wood, which is excellent for feeding green cut bone, for an even distribution among hens; the cut bone



BOX FOR FEEDING GREEN BONE.

should be mixed in with the dry wheat bran, using enough of the bran to separate thoroughly the cut bone, placing it in the feed box or trough, from which the hens can help themselves. This has the advantage of dividing the cut bone equally, as well as providing a dry bran food, which is enjoyed by the hens, who make good use of it in the manufacture of eggs. The slats on the trough prevent the fowls from scratching the bran about and wasting it.

Cut green bone is the great egg producer. It aids the growth of pullets intended for winter-egg production. When fed to the young chicks, you can almost see them grow. It contains fat, lean, protein and phosphates. From this can be made all the component parts of the egg, even to the shell. The egg contains about 13 per cent. of water, 12 per cent. of protein and ten per cent. of fat, and a small percentage of mineral matter. This would indicate almost pure lean meat, for the bone alone, dry and free from blood, contains about one-third animal matter and 51 per cent. of phosphate of lime. To have the best cut green bone for the hens, it should be at least one-half meat.

In making a comparison of foods, Mr. Jacobs says: "It will be seen that green bone, rich in blood and adhering meat, contains more protein, more fat and 50 times as much mineral matter as an egg—that is, pound for pound (of eggs and green bone). The bone not only contains all the elements for producing the egg, but has some to spare for the maintenance of the fowl." This is one of the few kinds of feed for hens that contains a full complement of the necessary elements for making the entire egg and a surplus as well for sustaining health and vigor.

One pound of cut green bone is a full allowance per day for 16 hens; this with wheat and cracked corn and some short-cut clover or alfalfa hay, will make a perfect ration for the laying hen.

SMALL DOOR FOR FOWLS.

Place Through Which the Hens Can Pass and the House Still Remain snug.

Saw off one of the boards in the middle of the door about ten inches from the bottom and attach hinges or strips of leather and a narrow strip of leather with a slit cut in the end to the bottom of this small door. Turn the door back on its hinges and drive a nail in the main door through the slit in the leather. The small door can be opened and closed easily, says the Farmers' Home. Through this small opening the hens can come and go at their pleasure, and you have the satisfaction of knowing that everything is secure.

HEN CACKLES.

The pullet is the winter layer. Old hens seldom lay in winter when eggs are scarce.

The farmer's hen competes for precedence with wheat, poultry products aggregating half a billion dollars in value.

A combination of tree fruits, poultry and bees in the hands of a capable person, beats the band as a money-maker.

For bowel trouble give fowls copperas water, and for swelled heads, guinea pills. One two-grain guinea pill will usually cure a hen.

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CAUGHT IN THE CURRENT.

The Sahara has over one-half the area of the United States. Its population is very small for its area. The Libyan and Nubian deserts are only a continuation of it to the red sea.

Quack, the oldest Indian in the north-west, died recently at his home on Satop river, Chehalis county, Washington. He was at least 120 years old, as he was old and gray-haired when the oldest settlers came to Gray's Harbor, 50 years ago.

A remarkable towage feat was accomplished by the Australian steamer Airline during her voyage from Singapore. She towed a 2,500-ton sailing vessel to Goode Island, a distance of 2,500 miles, in the quick time of 16 days. The daily towing ranged from 168 to 200 miles.

It is computed that farm properties in the 11 states that once seceded from the union have risen in value more than a billion dollars in two years. The average yield of these lands since this century began is \$200,000,000 a year greater than it was in the preceding six years.

Several young men of Clyde, Pa., near Philadelphia, have been engaged in catching and shipping frogs to the city market. The business pays those engaged in it from five to nine dollars a day. From 60 to 180 pounds of frogs' legs can be secured daily, which can be readily sold for 15 cents a pound.

Some one has been speculating about the importance of salt to civilization. The oldest trade routes are said to have been opened for salt traffic. Salt determined to a considerable extent the distribution of man. He was forced to settle where he could obtain it. This brought him to the seashore and started maritime commerce. Lastly, preservation of food by salt made long voyages possible and opened up the world to civilization.

BUSINESS PRECEPTS.

Be original—if you are "different" the market for your talent is wider. If you do things the same as everybody else—somebody will cut the price and you will have to work cheap. If you possess individuality you have almost a monopoly and can get your own price.

Are you deaf to the knock of opportunity? Probably so, most of the time; and it is the same with every other man. Men of business are usually "over ears" in the rumble of routine thought, and it is small wonder that opportunity's timid raps are unperceived amid the sense-dulling din of the machinery of habit.

The habit of doing things, of viewing them in a certain way, once firmly fixed becomes a tyrant of the mind. It suppresses effort at reform and denies liberty of action to the faculties. Originality and progress are chained to the dungeon walls of custom. A man in business whose methods are dominated by rigid habit, becomes a mere automaton.

Why does a young firm grow? Because its members have not yet become slaves of time-worn methods. Why does an old house cease to grow? Because, in a measure, its members have their eyes blinded by the veil of custom and their ears have been stopped with the cotton of habit. They neither see nor hear the movement of changing conditions.

SCIENCE SPECIALS.

Experiments made with kites on the Mediterranean have shown that over a large surface of water the temperature and the rapidity of air movements decline steadily in proportion to the altitude.

Prof. Nichols, the astronomer, made a delicate instrument some time ago to measure very faint heat-waves. It is so sensitive to heat that it registers the warmth that emanates from a man's face 2,000 feet, or more than a third of a mile, away.

The furnace as a means of ventilation is said to be more economical in deep mines than in shallow ones, as it acts by heating a column of air; the higher that column the greater will be the difference in the weight of air in the up-cast and down-cast shafts, and consequently the greater the motive power.

Carrying out experiments in psychic phenomena, some scientists at Ruvo produced some striking results. A 14-year-old boy was put in a trance, and in this condition he answered questions put to

him in Greek, Latin, Arabic, French, English, German, and conversed in those languages, his voice being that of a man.

Radium breaks up into helium and lead, if Rutherford's inferences are true. Radium has an atomic weight of 226, and if each of the five alpha particles given off is an atom of helium of mass 4, the residue must have an atomic weight of 206, about that of lead. This metal, moreover, is present in all radioactive minerals.

SWIPED SQUIBS.

It may be that it is "football" rather than football to which the public objects.

Time flies so fast as a man grows older that it seems to him he has his Sunday clothes on all the time.

What the average man needs more than anything else is a supply of evening reception conversation.

Cold weather makes ice. Ice makes the water wagon slippery. A slippery water wagon is hard to hold on to. Hence, therefore, etc., etc.

The president of a bachelors' club at Nevada, Mo., has resigned to get married. The presumption is that he grew tired of being at the head of the thing.

HOW TO MAKE SAUERKRAUT

Cleanliness Most Important in Its Preparation—Various Processes It Must Pass Through.

Any good barrel suitable for packing beef or pork is all right for kraut. Absolute cleanliness in every particular is essential. Trim the cabbage heads, discarding all bad leaves, cut them in half and take out the hearts. Place a layer of clean cabbage leaves on the bottom of the barrel, shave the cabbage quite fine, using a "kraut machine" if you have it; if not, a slaw cutter, or even a sharp knife will do.

Use one quart of dairy salt for a barrel of kraut. When you have several inches of cabbage in the barrel, sprinkle on some salt and pound with a smooth wooden pounder, until the cabbage is well packed and the juice starts freely. Shave in more cabbage, add more salt and pound again, and so on until the barrel is filled to within about eight inches of the top, and the salt is all used. Pound the last layer down snugly, and be sure that there is brine enough to cover well.

Cover the top with two or three layers of cabbage leaves, then put on a white cotton cloth and tuck carefully around the edges. Put on a covering of clean boards and weigh down with a large stone. The brine should be an inch or more above the boards. Set the barrel in a warm place, behind the cooking stove, if possible, and leave it to ferment.

This should begin in three or four days, when froth will come to the top of the barrel and the odor will not be very pleasant. However, it is part of the natural process, and must be endured. The process of fermentation is generally completed in about two weeks, sometimes a trifle less. When the froth and brine settle down, the kraut has finished "working" and is ready for use. Then all scum and remains of froth should be removed, the weight, boards and cloth taken up and thoroughly washed, and the cabbage leaves should be removed and thrown out, and any of the kraut that is not firm, crisp and free from slime.

Take out as much kraut as is needed for immediate use, carefully replace cloth, boards and weight, and put the barrel in a cool, clean place, where it will not freeze. A good cellar is the best place for keeping kraut. The brine should at all times cover the boards to a depth of an inch or more. To neglect this means spoiled kraut. If the natural juice is not sufficient, make more by dissolving a teaspoon of salt in a pail of water, and add this to the barrel.

Keep the kraut always even and smooth on the top, and always carefully covered with cloth and boards, and also with brine. Remove any scum that may form, once in two or three weeks, wash boards and cloth clean, and replace, adding brine whenever needed, and the kraut will remain white, crisp and delicious till the last particle is eaten.—Farm and Home.

In the Market.

"You can't buy" happiness with money." "Perhaps not; but there are some excellent imitations of it in the market."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Horticultural Society.

Towny—Farmer Proudfoot's awfully stuck up, isn't he?

Country Cousin—Oh, yes, he's well known as a haughty culturist.

Stereotyped Excuse.

Mother—Oh, Freddy, did you lick your little brother?

Freddie—Yes'm, but I told him it hurt me worse'n it did him.—N. Y. Sun.

That Gasoline!

Redd—What sense is most used in motoring, do you think?

Greene—Oh, the sense of smell, I guess.—Yonkers Statesman.

Another Case.

Knieker—She called the engagement off, and returned the ring.

Bocker—Resignation and restitution.

VERSE OF THE DAY.

If I Knew Everything,
If I knew everything I fear
My life would be a bore.
I could not wait and speculate
And ponder any more.
I'd find answers ready-made;
I'd know them in advance,
And life would be too dull for me
Without the charm of chance.

I could not read a story then
Through which "the villain still
Pursues her," while she thwarts his guile
With many a precious thrill.
I'd know its ending from the start,
The same as women do,
Who, when they read a book, proceed
To scan it wrong end to.

In wooing I should know just what
Her answer was to be;
"I would seem, alas! as tedious as
A twice-told tale to me."
I could not wonder if she'd say,
"Yes, yours through weal or woe!"
Or with a sigh inform me, "I
Will be your sister, though."

If I knew everything—but, pshaw!
I don't; so what's the good
Of thinking so? But this I know,
I wouldn't if I could.
I much prefer to live along,
Pleased, puzzled and perplexed,
Mid hope and doubt, to guess about
What's going to happen next.
—Nixon Waterman, in Life.

A Statesman's Problem.
From far and near
Once more they come!
Of intellect
A mighty sum
Is gathered in
The classic halls,
Where many a stately
Echo falls.

That silent man
With furrowed brow
O'er some grave task
He ponders now.
Is it the tariff?
Frets his soul,
Or schemes for railway
Rate control?

Does he imagine
Isthmian scenes,
Or view the distant
Philippines?
Nay, nay, he figures
With great glee
On what his mileage
ought to be.
—Washington Star.

The Seasons.
When comes spring?
Softly, the robins sing,
And the violet has her hour?
Not till the heart's in flower
Is it spring.

When comes June?
At the time of the thrush's tune,
Of all beauties below and above?
When reddens the rose of love,
Then comes June.

Autumn's when?
When grasses rasp in the fen,
And the face of the field is wan?
When joys are faded, gone,
Autumn's then.

Winter hour,
Comes he with the storm-wind's roar
And all low Nature's ruth?
'T is winter when love and youth
Are no more.
—John Vance Cheney, in Century.

A Dethroned Hero.
Phil Peters drove the stage; I used to deem
Him almost superhuman; for awhile
I felt exalted by his smile.
He drove a fine and prancing four-horse
team.
Whose trappings with brass mountings
were gleaming.
How easily he held the reins; how vile,
Inconsequential, and devoid of style
I thought that I, compared with him, must
seem.

I used to drive my brother down the lanes
And play that I was Phil, imagining
Four splendid dappled steeds were mine;
The reins, the reins!
And harness were a bit of common
string—
A hard-worked, weakened teamster he re-
mains.
That once I thought more lordly than a
king.
—S. E. Kiker, in Chicago Record-Herald.

The Wonder Workers.
This world is like a fairy land
Where nothing need be wrong;
Where fortune smiles on every hand,
And lures us with a song.

In business we may all succeed;
No reality may rise
Or so it seems when'er I read
The advertising page.
There is no pocketbook too scant
To receive the fine and slant
Your features the art adjust and slant
Till all your friends admire.
They will supply your every need
And all your griefs assuage
If you with care will only read
The advertising page.
—Washington Star.

Two Sorrows.

Before Love came my eyes were dim with
tears.
Because I had not known her gentle face;
Softly, I said, when across the years
Her smile illumined the darkness of my
place.

All grief, from my poor heart, she will ef-
face.
Now Love is mine—she walks with me for
aye.
Down paths of primrose and blue violet,
But on my heart at every close of day
A grief more keen than my old grief is
set.

I weep for those who have not found Love
yet.
—Charles Hanson Towre, in Ainslee's Mag-
azine.

Her Sinlessness.
Was it wrong to let him kiss me?
Was it sinful on my part
To permit my cheek to nestle
There so closely to his heart?

Was it wrong for me to listen
To the words of love he spoke
While another girl was fastened
To me "neath the galling yoke?"

Nay, 'twas innocent—but, goodness!
That a sinner I should be
If the old judge had been so judicious
And returned me my degree.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

Song.
O Love, whose aspect grave and sweet
All lovers else may see,
The bent grass straightening from your
feet
Betrays your way to me.

Flushed rose-leaves sail the flooded brook;
But, though I follow fast,
Only find the bough you shook,
The wood-thrust that you passed,
—Georgiana Goddard King, in Century.

Winter
The wintry winter time is here,
The breezes shilly sing,
Turn on the steam and hear of cheer—
A long time yet till spring.
—Chicago Chronicle.

Cause and Effect.
We often are
In this, or that,
A pensive man,
—Expensive wife!
—N. O. Times-Democrat.

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WINTER HOUSE-PLANTS.

On the Care of the Chinese Sacred Lily—Advantages of Using Sand and Water.

The Chinese sacred lily goes the Roman hyacinth one point better, because it does not need to be put in the dark at all before you begin to force it. This is the plant that everybody grows in shallow bowls of water, with enough pebbles in it to hold the bulbs in position. It belongs to the same species as the paper white narcissus, but differs in having a yellow cup instead of a white one, and in its ability to grow in pure water. It blooms in four to six weeks after being put in water. A dozen bulbs started at intervals will provide a succession of blossoms all winter.

Some people are careful to cut the skin of each bulb crosswise just below the center, so that the numerous shoots can get out easily. It is well to peel the bulb, as the outer skin might pollute the water. A few days of darkness before planting are said to be beneficial, though not necessary. The odor is too strong for some people. The bulbs cost about ten cents each.

The only objection to growing bulbs in sand and water is that the bulbs are so much exhausted by the process that it does not pay to save them after flowering and plant them in the garden next April. However, few people take this trouble anyhow.

The sand-and-water method is cleaner than the soil method; the bulbs are less likely to dry out from neglect, and the plants are more attractive, because grown in jardiniere or glass bowls instead of pots. But you cannot grow tulips in this way. The only kinds adapted to it are hyacinths, crocuses, daffodils and varieties of the bunch-flowered narcissus, e. g., the paper white and Chinese sacred lily.—Wilhelm Miller.

Starlight Cake.
Beat the whites of three eggs with one cupful of sugar, one cupful of sweet milk, in which is dissolved one teaspoonful of soda, two cupfuls of flour with two teaspoonfuls of cream of tartar well sifted in, and two-thirds of a cupful of butter. Beat the mixture for 15 minutes, then pour into layer pans. When baked, fill the layers with whipped cream, covering the top one with an extra thick coating, and drop spoonfuls of orange jelly here and there over it.

So Consistent.

Mrs. Subbubs—I was cleaning out silver on Sunday when Mrs. Strallace called on her way home from church. Fortunately, though, she didn't find it out.

Mrs. Naylor—She's very strict about the Sabbath, isn't she?

Mrs. Subbubs—Yes. She apologized for calling upon me on that day, but she thought she just ought to tell me that scandalous story about Mrs. Gidday.—Philadelphia Press.

From the French.

Dramatist—It's the first performance of my play to-night; I feel so jolly nervous.

Dramatic Adapter—Do you? I never feel nervous about mine.

Dramatist—Ah, but you have an advantage over me.

Dramatic Adapter—What's that?

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All the Latest News from Our Near
Neighbors.

March begins next week and
sweet spring days are drawing near.

Dr. Charles Wight is visiting his
sisters Mrs. Geo. Grover and Mrs. E.
P. Grover.

R. Ray Lapham of Bethel Hill is
working for his uncle, L. D. Grover.

The dancing school in Bell's Hall
moves along pleasantly.

Will Thurston is staying with
Elmer Stiles and family and is still
unable to work.

Edwin J. Bell has been confined
to his house by lameness for two
weeks but is slowly recovering.

L. D. Grover is cutting and haul-
ing wood for his sister Mrs. Sarah
W. Brown.

Charles Ruggles now has his old
position as night watchman in the
mill of Merrill, Springer & Co., and
the early morning whistle rouses
many from their slumbers.

GROVER HILL.

James Boyce has moved his fam-
ily to Bethel village.

Eli F. Stearns and Miss Ruby
Perkins of Bethel, were at N. A.
Stearns' Friday.

Peter Wheeler was at Mason on
business last Saturday.

Mrs. Frances Whitman and daugh-
ter Beatrice, have returned from a
visit to friends in Milan.

Fred Mundt has an extra fine
flock of lambs.

Traveling is rather hard since the
recent fall of snow.

George Spinney has sold quite a
lot of potatoes this winter.

Edd Cummings is landing spruce
pulp on Pleasant river.

Clyde and Evander Whitman
have been cutting shingle timber for
F. Bennett.

Levi N. Bartlett has been hauling
birch for Peter Wheeler.

R. R. Maybery and W. H. Hutch-
inson are marketing quite a quantity
of timber this season.

BRYANT'S POND.

George York sold his personal
property at auction Feb. 15th. Mr.
York will make his home in South
Paris in the near future.

Frank Cushman and Fred Whit-
man left here the 13th, for the head-
waters of the Magalloway river,
where they are to be employed tak-
ing care of camps for the Interna-
tional Paper Co.

Mrs. Samuel L. Ross is quite sick
with lung fever. Dr. Packard of
West Paris, is attending her.

The Ladies' Aid had a supper and
sale at the Grange hall, Wednesday
evening, Feb. 14th. In the evening
there was an entertainment of mu-
sical selections and recitations.

A woman one time was so jealous
She sputtered in trying to tearous
Her troubles and woes,
Till she sprinkled her clothes
As if a rainstorm had befallenous.

NEWRY.

There was quite a heavy snow
last week so the roads had to be
broken.

Mrs. Fred Bartlett went to Bethel
last Tuesday.

H. F. Thurston and Will Russell
went to Bethel Friday to load a car
with dows.

Walter Foster's baby who has been
very ill is a little better.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From
Our Shire Town.

Miss Edna Esson who has been
visiting her father in Salem, Mass.
returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Linder of Mankato,
Minn. is visiting her sister, Mrs.
George Briggs.

Cora Keene is quite sick.
E. P. Parlin is soon to open a
drug store in Wilton.

Mrs. Paul D. Higgins of Costigan,
is with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Shaw,
at the Andrews house.

Miss Alice Maxim of Norway,
visited at Henry Maxim's, Saturday.

The attraction at the skating rink
Tuesday evening, was the two mile
race between Della and Ayers; the
prize, a pair of roller skates, was
won by Ayers.

Ruth Stearns' private school had
a sociable Wednesday evening, in
the ladies' parlor of the Universalist
church.

Rev. Alfreda Brewster gave a very
interesting talk to the W. C. T. U.
and their friends at the Baptist
church, Tuesday afternoon.

Freeman Chase has been at He-
bron for the past few weeks, where
he has employment with the firm of
Beace & Millett.

The annual fair of the Universal-
ist Good Cheer Society, will be Feb.
28th—March 1st. The fair will
open Wednesday afternoon at 2
o'clock and continue throughout the
afternoon and evening. Thursday
and Friday evenings will be devoted
to the minstrel show.

The Christian Endeavor society
gave a social in the New hall Friday
evening.

The Methodist Sunday school has
had an average attendance of 88 for
the past six Sundays. The school
has just added a lot of new books
and a fine set of maps.

NORTH NEWRY.

Our winter has arrived at last and
the loggers are at work improving it.

Carrie Wight, who has been visit-
ing friends in Massachusetts re-
turned home, Monday.

M. S. W. D. Kilgore is better and
is able to sit up a part of the time.

Old Bruin who has been about
town all winter was captured last
Friday by F. E. Bennett.

W. A. Warren is hauling logs with
his c lts.

L. G. Widdor is hauling supplies
for A. C. Littlehale.

The Ladies' Circle met with Mrs.
A. C. Littlehale Saturday afternoon.
Quite a number were present and all
enjoyed a pleasant time.

Mrs. W. D. Kilgore, who has suf-
fered for many weeks with rheuma-
tism, is recovering.

On Saturday, Feb. 24th, there
will be a parish meeting at the house
of W. D. Kilgore. It is hoped that
all interested in work of the church
will be present.

F. C. Bennett's family are quite
sick. Dr. Wight is attending them.

After many months of pain and
suffering Mrs. Horatio Wight passed
away on Saturday, Feb. 10th. The
funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.
Rev. F. E. Barton officiating. Much
sympathy is expressed for the be-
traved husband who has cared for
her so faithfully. Mrs. Wight had
been in poor health for many years
but her sufferings were borne with
remarkable patience and fortitude.
Besides her husband she leaves one
sister, Mrs. W. B. Wight of this
place, and one brother, Mr. Amos
King of South Bethel.

New Mexican Coin.

The new two-cent pieces will not
be issued, though they are ready, un-
til the bulk of the old centavos are
withdrawn. This is proceeding but
rather slowly, as they are scattered
all over the republic.—Mexican Her-
ald.

Toad Venom.

The idea that the toad is poisonous
has a foundation in fact. The skin
secretes an acrid fluid, and just behind
the head are two sacs, which, when
pressed, eject a fluid that burns and
stings the skin.

The Newsbag.

There is always some one in a
neighborhood upon whom falls all the
disagreeable tasks, such as breaking
bad news, etc., and she isn't usually
a society leader, either.—Atchison
Globe.

Is It Your Own Hair?

Do you pin your hat to your
own hair? Can't do it?
Haven't enough hair? It must
be you do not know Ayer's
Hair Vigor! Here's an intro-
duction! May the acquaint-
ance result in a heavy growth
of rich, thick, glossy hair!
Use this splendid hair-food,
stop your falling hair, and get
rid of your dandruff.

The best kind of a testimonial—
"Sold for over sixty years."

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.
Also manufacturers of
SARSAPARILLA,
WILLS' PINK PILLS,
CHERRY PECTORAL.

ABSTRACT

ANNUAL STATEMENT

ETNA INSURANCE CO.
Hartford Conn.

On the 31st day of December 1905, made
to the State of Maine.

Incorporated 1819.

Commenced Business 1819

Wm. B. CLARK, President.

W. H. KING, Secretary.

Capital paid up in Cash \$400,000

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate owned by the Company, un-

incumbered, \$ 576,746 00

Loans on Bond and Mortgage (first liens), 12,600 00

Stocks and Bonds owned by the Com-

pany, Market Value, 14,287,758 56

Cash in Company's principal office and

in Bank, 1,119,484 53

Agents' Balances, 138,510 74

Interest and Rents, 1,821 00

Gross Assets, \$16,699,461 13

Deduct items not admitted, 49,935 52

Admitted Assets, \$16,599,425 61

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net amount of Unpaid Losses, and

Claims, \$ 444,773 65

Amount required to safely re-insure all

outstanding risks, 5,014,933 72

All other demands against the Company,

0

Total Liabilities, \$5,459,707 37

Capital actually paid up in

cash, \$4,000,000 00

Net Surplus over all Li-

abilities, 7,131,012 24

Surplus for Policy-holders,

7,131,012 24

Aggregate, including Capital and Net

Surplus, \$6,599,425 61

FREELAND HOWE, Resident Agent,

3739 H Norway Agency

Hartford Fire Insurance Company

of Hartford, Connecticut.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$ 1,015,200 00

Mortgage Loans, 688,500 00

Collateral Loans, 1,000 00

Stocks and Bonds, 18,866,443 07

Cash in Office and Bank, 815,388 41

Agents' Balances, 1,354,933 02

Interest and Rents, 9,900 00

All other Assets, 4,226 25

Gross Assets, \$16,799,800 75

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 600,725 74

Unearned Premiums, 10,553,985 10

Cash Capital, 1,350,000 00

Surplus over all Liabilities,

4,979,379 75

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$16,799,800 75

FREELAND HOWE, Agent,

39 H Norway, Maine

Caledonian Insurance Company

of Scotland.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$ 434,490 53

Stocks and Bonds, 1,086,285 50

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,090,000 00

Agents' Balances, 189,438 27

Bills Receivable, 439 06

Interest and Rents, 11,134 14

All other Assets, 11,214 00

Gross Assets, \$3,762,681 42

Deduct items not admitted,

108,632 35

Admitted Assets, \$3,654,049 07

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 207,958 68

Unearned Premiums, 2,194,621 36

Cash Capital, 394,431 45

Statutory Deposit, 200,000 00

Surplus over all Liabilities,

1,177,259 09

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,654,049 07

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Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net unpaid Losses, \$ 28,668 71

Unearned Premiums, 2,430,641 67

Cash Capital, 300,000 00

Statutory Deposit, 1,362,000 00

Surplus over all Liabilities,

4,661,349 07

Total Liabilities and Surplus,

4,661,349 07

Report of the Condition of the BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

AT BETHEL,

In the State of Maine, at the close
of business, January 29th, 1906

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, \$ 32,886 61

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 10,000 00

Premiums on U. S. Bonds, 478 13

Bonds, Securities, etc., 4,830 00

Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures, 479 50

Due from National Banks, (not reserve

Agents) 14,405 64

Due from approved reserve agents, 5100 74

Notes of other National Banks, 100 00

Fractional paper currency, nickels & cents

76 50

LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:

Specie, \$2,713 35

Legal-tender Notes, 500 00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer,

(5 per cent. of circulation, 500 00

Total, \$ 72,078 53

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in, \$25,000 00

Surplus fund, 1,223 28

Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes

paid, 274 94

National Bank Notes outstanding, 10,000 00

Due to Trust Companies and Savings

Banks, 1,000 00

Individual deposits subject to check, 34,570 51

Total, \$ 72,078 53

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:

I, Ellery C. Park, Cashier of the above-named bank

do solemnly swear that the above statement

is true to the best of my knowledge and be-

lieve.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this

3rd day of February, 1906.

A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

EBEN S. KILBORN,

F. C. BOWLER,

FRED L. EDWARDS, Directors.

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Atlas Assurance Company, Ltd.,

of London, Eng.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$ 33,878 81

Stocks and Bonds, 1,407,266 42

Cash in Office and Bank, 166,800 24

Agents' Balances, 19,441 70

Interest and Rents, 19,726 63

All other Assets, 14,420 75

Gross Assets, 1,998,574 55

Deduct items not

GEMS OF POESY.

Good Morning.
The curtains that hid the new year have
been drawn,
And sunsets are flame and rose-tinted its
dawn.
And blossoms are flinging dewdrops to
lawn!
Good morning! good morning! good
morning!
The fieldlarks are singing good night on the
plain,
Rose petals are blowing a-down the green
lane,
The mockbird at dawning sings loud the
refrain;
Good morning! good morning! good
morning!
The old year has taken its pleasures and
care,
Its sweet and its bitter stands over there,
And the new year stands smiling, a rose in
her hair!
Good morning! good morning! good
morning!
Put by all the past, its dead landscapes and
care,
The dawn is all crimson though night has
been there,
Laugh back to the mockbird his greeting
and cheer!
Good morning! good morning! good
morning!
Good morning! good morning! go glad
down the ways,
The future is brighter for dim yesterdays,
The sun of the new year sends warmth in
his rays!
Good morning! good morning! good
morning!
—J. M. Lewis.

The Jongleur.
Last night I lay awake and heard the wind,
That madman jongleur of the world of
air,
Making wild music; now he seemed to
fare
With harp and lute, so intimately twined
They were as one; now on a drum he
dined,
Now on a tabor; now, with blow and
blare
Of sackbut and recorder, everywhere,
Shattered the night; then, on a sudden,
thinned
To bagpipe wallings, as of maniac grief
That whined itself to sleep. And then
mystered
Out in the darkness, medieval-dim,
I saw him dancing, like an autumn leaf,
In tattered tunic, while around him
streamed
His lute's wild ribbons 'thwart the moon's
low rim.
—Madison Cawein, in Success.

The Unpopular Man.
Give me for friend the man whose friends
are few,
Who, though his heart be clean and
stanch and good—
Though every fiber of his soul be true—
Is tactless, blunt, and seldom understood.

In such a drift God oft conceals a lodge
Whose richness makes Golconda's wealth
seem naught;
On such an arm the oft-times has bestowed
Large world so hid it must be shrewdly
sought.

So, while the rabble fawns on him whose
friends
Are as the sands that rim the ocean's
blue,
I choose the best of all that heaven sends—
Give me for friend the man whose friends
are few.

—Strickland W. Gillilan, in The Reader.
Friend Soul.
From the zest of the land of the living,
From work and reflection and play,
From the getting of love and the giving,
I hasten away.

For I have a friend from the highlands
Who's talked with me long on my plain;
And now toward his glamorous, sky-lands
We're posting again.

Up yonder his mansions are legion,
But he's snubbed on the street with a
stare,
Here where I'm lord of the region;
So turn about's fair.

We leave the snug inn on the highroad.
I wave to my valley with pride,
Then we turn up the beckoning by-
road
And swing into stride.

—Robert Haven Schaffer, in Outlook.
Hopeless.
"Why won't you marry me?" I asked
Imperiously, as of right.
"You'll own you have encouraged me.
Yes! Yes! Up to this very night.
It is not fair to make me so
The laughing stock of all the town.
If you refuse, at least be just,
And tell me WHY you turn me
down!"

She listened with her eyes downcast,
Nor ever raised them to my gaze.
Her shy, sweet attitude enhanced
Her loveliness beyond all praise.
The moments passed. No word she
spoke.
There was a long and trying pause,
Then softly, but so firmly that
I lost all hope, she said: "Because!"
—Somerville Journal.

The Prairie Jackrabbit.
He's a clever sort of a fellow
With a nimble, noiseless gait;
When he curves his spine for a spin
It is then the breeze wait!
Perhaps he leaps from a furrow
With a limping hipity-hop,
But when he gets his steam up
The tempests backward drop.

The bilzards do not daunt him,
Out on the prairie world;
Close to his back rest his donkey ears
Pur-empt from the cold;
But a hound must be fleet pedal'd
To snap the wool from his tail—
For he's a deer in miniature
And cracks his heels at the gate.
—Will Chamberlain, in Springfield Re-
publican.

Songs of Cheer.
My grampa he's a-allus sayin' "Sing a song
o' cheer!"
And, once I says "What kind is them?" he
says, "The kind to hear."
"Cause they's the kind that Nature sings,
In ever' bird that twitters!"
"Well, whippersnapper," says I,
"hain't over-cher' critters!"
"Then don't you sing like them," he says—
"ner guiny-hens, my dear—
Ner peafowls, nuther, (that the boy!)—You
sing a song o' cheer!"
I can't sing nuther, say I; but comin'
home, to'n's night,
I kind o' sort o' kee' a-whistlin' "Old-Bob-
White!"
—James Whitcomb Riley, in The Reader.

Song.
A cloudless stretch of yellow sky
(The wide world's western rim),
And brilliant, one star on high,
Bright star, hast thou seen him?

He wandered very long ago;
I cannot make a quest,
For where to seek I should not know
In all that shining West.
The ones who loved him once are dead;
None cared, save I, to wait,
Keep vigil, Venus, overhead—
I watch the open gate.
—Lydia Schuyler, in Century.

Women as Well as Men
Are Made Miserable by
Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, dis-
courage and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor
and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kid-
neys are out of order
or diseased.

Kidney trouble has
become so prevalent
that it is not uncommon
for a child to be born
afflicted with weak kid-
neys. If the child urina-
tes too often, if the
urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child
reaches an age when it should be able to
control the passage, it is yet afflicted with
bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of
these important organs. This unpleasant
trouble is due to a diseased condition of the
kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as
most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made mis-
erable with kidney and bladder trouble,
and both need the same great remedy,
The mild and the immediate effect of
Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold
in fifty-cent and one dollar
sizes. You may have a
sample bottle by mail

free, also pamphlet tell-
ing all about it, including many of the
thousands of testimonial letters received
from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer
& Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and
mention this paper.

Don't make any mistake, but remember
the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's
Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton,
N. Y., on every bottle.

Pardon Our Blushes.

A letter received by the Passenger
Department of the Grand Trunk
from a gentleman living in one of
the large cities on the Atlantic Coast,
who had taken a trip via the Grand
Trunk and its Western connections to
California, is filled with praise for the
admirable service experienced on the
journey. He says, "I have been
a traveler for 42 years and have vis-
ited the principal parts of this con-
tinent, as well as journeyed through
foreign countries, and will candidly
say that I have never received such
good treatment as I experienced on
the Grand Trunk. Your roadbed is
perfection, cars beautiful and scru-
pulously clean and the service of the
dining cars equal the most exclusive
hotels in the country. I am not
prone to flatter but when one can
enjoy travel as comfortably as on
your line, I think everybody should
be made aware of it."

All old time Cough Syrups bind the
bowels. This is wrong. A new idea
was advanced two years ago in Ken-
nedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. This
remedy acts on the mucous mem-
branes of the throat and lungs and
loosens the bowels at the same time.
It expels all clog from the system.
It clears the throat, strengthens the
mucous membranes, relieves coughs,
colds, croup, whooping cough, etc.
Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

Interested.
Church—You say his boy is in col-
lege?
Gotham—Oh, yes.
"Is he interested in the future of
football, do you know?"
"Oh, yes, indeed."
"What position does he play?"
"Oh, he doesn't play at all. He's
studying to be a surgeon."—Yonkers
Statesman.

Just the Thing.
"Yes," said Alec Smart, who was
interested in a new comic weekly, "on-
paper has made such a hit that we're
thinking of calling it 'Grip' or 'Colt.'"
"Yes?" remarked Knox.
"Yes, so many people take it. Ap-
propriate, eh?"
"Quite so. When people take cold or
grip it makes them sick."—Philadel-
phia Press.

Scared Off.
There was once a weary flamingo
Which passed over Santo Domingo;
They were rowing, of course,
And the battle cries hearse
Made the bird away on the wing go.
—Chicago Sun.

HORRIBLE PREMONITION.

"I don't suppose the Indians will
ever get entirely over their desire to
punish the whites for the wrongs to
their race."
"No," answered the college profes-
sor; "it is possible that instinct which
makes them such aggressive foot ball
players."—Washington Star.

Worse.
"I think that the people who have
taken this affair in hand have made
you sincerely repent."
"Repent!" exclaimed the man who
had been involved in questionable
finance. "It's worse than that. They
made me return some of the money!"
—Washington Star.

A Mena e to Health.
Kidney trouble is an insidious dan-
ger, and many people are victims of a
serious malady before the symptoms
are recognized. Foley's Kidney Cure
corrects irregularities and strengthens
and builds up the kidneys, and it
should be taken at the first indica-
tion of kidney trouble, as it is impos-
sible to have good health if the kidneys
are deranged. The Wiley Pharmacy.

All He Knew About It.
"Which is the higher, a cat or an
earl?" asked the girl who had just
come out.
"I don't know," replied old man
Seadssley. "The only one we have in
our family is a count, but if an earl's
any higher, I'm mighty glad I took
the first one that happened to come
along."—Chicago Record-Herald.

As It Seemed to Him.
"If you could have your choice," she
asked, "which would you prefer, money
or brains?"
"Well," he indignantly replied, "in
view of the fact that I have not joined
in the mad rush for great wealth it
seems to me that your question is
insulting."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Who Got the Money?
Neighbor—I don't see why you
should be so poor. Your husband's
life was heavily insured.
Widow—Yes, but it took all the
money to pay the doctors who didn't
cure him, the undertakers who buried
him, and the lawyers who defended
his will.—N. Y. Weekly.

Had Recovered.
Mrs. Chicksey (at wedding)—The
bridegroom seems to be in the sev-
enth heaven of happiness.
Mrs. Stubbles—You are looking at
the wrong man. That isn't the bride-
groom. That's the young fellow the
bride jilted about a month ago.—Chi-
cago Tribune.

The Yellow Fever Germ
has recently been discovered. It
bears a close resemblance to the ma-
laria germ. To free the system from
disease germs, the most effective rem-
edy is Dr. King's New Life Pills.
Guaranteed to cure all diseases due to
malaria poison and constipation. 25c.
The Wiley Pharmacy.

Tom—It's a true saying that fig-
ures don't lie.
Well, I see some on the streets
that are very deceiving.

A Healing Gospel.
The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of
Sharon Baptist church, Belair, Ga.,
says of Electric Bitters: "It's a God-
send to mankind. It cured me of
lame back, stiff joints, and complete
physical collapse. I was so weak it
took me half an hour to walk a mile.
Two bottles of Electric Bitters have
made me so strong I have just walked
three miles in 50 minutes and feel
like walking three more. It's made a
new man of me." Greatest remedy
for weakness and all Stomach, Liver
and Kidney complaints. Sold under
a guarantee at The Wiley Pharmacy.

Truthful Thomas.
"Please, ma'am, could youse gimme
sumthin' to eat?" queried Truthful
Thomas. "I'm so hungry that I could
eat a house."
"The ideal!" exclaimed the kind
lady. "It would be impossible for any-
one to eat a house."
"Dere's where youse is wrong,
ma'am," replied Truthful Thomas.
"Git bizz an' cook me a porterhouse,
an' I'll show youse."—Chicago Daily
News.

A Thoughtful Hostess.
Hostess (to male wallflower)—Per-
mit me to introduce you to a charming
dancer, Mr. Westend.
Mr. Westend—Au, thanks, no; I
nevah dance.
"Would you like to join the card
party in the drawing room?"
"Au, thanks, no; I do not play."
"Well, supper will be ready soon."
—N. Y. Weekly.

Useful.
"Don't you think every statesman
should cultivate a manner of great
dignity?"
"A manner of great dignity," an-
swered Senator Sorghum, "is an invalu-
able adjunct. It prevents people from
asking bothersome questions, for fear
of seeming impertinent."—Washington
Star.

His Prospects.
Angelina—What did you tell papa
about your prospects?
Edwin—I said I had expectations
from my uncle.
Angelina—Why, Edwin, you told me
you had no relatives at all.
Edwin—Oh, yes; but I'm going to
papa my watch this evening.—Tit
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New Hampshire, Fire Ins. Co.,
MANCHESTER, N. H.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$1,199,722.41
Mortgage Loans	344,000.00
Collateral Loans	75,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	5,253,035.00
Cash in Office and Bank	221,177.04
Agents' Balances	101,487.24
Bills Receivable	40,477.24
Interest and Rents	2,236.14
All other Assets	0.00
Gross Assets	\$4,069,140.67
Deduct items not admitted	0.00
Admitted Assets	\$4,069,140.67
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$1,199,722.41
Unearned Premiums	1,591,626.25
All other Liabilities	116,866.84
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,259,885.06
Total Liabilities and Surplus	4,069,140.67
F. FREELAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Maine.	

The Liverpool & London & Globe
Insurance Company.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$1,861,697.23
Mortgage Loans	3,084,450.00
Stocks and Bonds	4,675,126.55
Cash in Office and Bank	7,435,385.74
Agents' Balances	1,207,296.42
All other Assets	95,576.73
Gross Assets	12,265,532.22
Deduct items not admitted	36,574.95
Admitted Assets	12,228,957.27
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$1,199,722.41
Unearned Premiums	5,886,985.59
All other Liabilities	533,874.80
Surplus over all Liabilities	5,262,274.97
Total Liabilities and Surplus	12,228,957.27
E. E. FREELAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Maine.	

London Assurance Corporation,
56 Wall St., NEW YORK CITY.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Stocks and Bonds	2,340,215.78
Cash in Office and Bank	248,587.83
Agents' Balances	375,026.65
Interest and Rents	25,042.22
All other Assets	1,242.88
Gross Assets	\$2,990,075.36
Deduct items not admitted	27,804.12
Admitted Assets	\$2,962,271.24
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$205,931.00
Unearned Premiums	1,342,143.09
All other Liabilities	75,474.41
Deposit Capital	610,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	723,255.04
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$2,962,271.24
W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agent, South Paris, Maine.	

American Surety Company of
New York.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$3,005,835.52
Stocks and Bonds	2,372,250.67
Cash in Office and Bank	531,631.72
Interest and Rents	20,746.72
All other Assets	279,732.03
Gross Assets	\$6,389,416.66
Deduct items not admitted	134,755.48
Admitted Assets	\$6,254,661.18
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$476,774.22
Unearned Premiums	\$86,188.70
All other Liabilities	32,634.50
Cash Capital	2,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	2,139,063.66
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$6,254,661.18
A. J. STEARNS, Agent, Norway, Maine.	

The Home Insurance Company,
New York.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$1,543,802.06
Mortgage Loans	109,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	17,411,705.00
Cash in Office and Bank	1,802,287.05
Agents' Balances	993,337.04
Bills Receivable	331.73
Gross Assets	\$21,239,052.88
Admitted Assets	\$21,239,052.88
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$185,047.08
Unearned Premiums	7,597,001.60
Reserve for Taxes etc.	300,000.00
All other Liabilities	\$2,500,000.00
Cash Capital	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$2,139,052.88
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$21,239,052.88
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The Franklin Fire Insurance Co.
of Philadelphia, Penn.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$225,500.00
Mortgage Loans	74,550.00
Collateral Loans	2,500.00
Stocks and Bonds	2,538.00
Cash in Office and Bank	55,530.47
Agents' Balances	44,552.59
Interest and Rents	1,118.97
All other Assets	911.25
Gross Assets	\$3,065,251.08
Admitted Assets	\$3,065,251.08
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net unpaid Losses	\$18,809.06
Unearned Premiums	\$1,594,425.36
All other Liabilities	21,324.48
Cash Capital	400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$99,692.18
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$3,065,251.08
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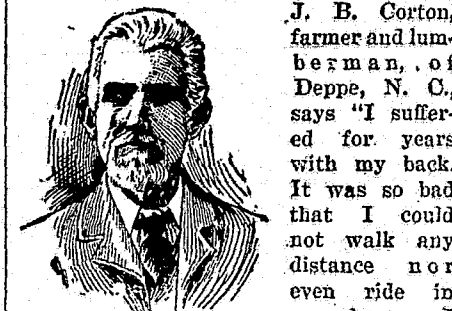
The Travelers Insurance Company,
Hartford, Connecticut.

Assets Dec. 31, 1904.	
Real Estate	\$87,350.02
Mortgage Loans	9,099,991.49
Collateral Loans	366,129.34
Stocks and Bonds	3,269,608.59
Cash in Office and Bank	3,514,399.24
Agents' Balances	1,231,835.75
Bills Receivable	5,876.48
Interest and Rents	636,847.10
Deferred and Unpaid Life Premiums	701,899.56
Gross Assets	\$40,023,840.54
Deduct items not admitted	66,791.52
Admitted Assets	\$39,957,049.02
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.	
Net Value of Life Policies	\$36,880,846.88
Unpaid Losses	341,160.41
Unearned Premiums	2,468,228.31
Additional Reserve Liability Dept.	160,000.00
Reserve for Unreported Indemnity Claims	64,677.61
All other Liabilities	431,148.88
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$3,554,835.72
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$39,957,049.02

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"Grandma," said Tommy, "I wish you'd gimme some cake."
"Tommy!" exclaimed his mother, reprovingly, "didn't I tell you not to ask your grandma for cake?"
"I didn't ask for anything. I'm just wishin'."—Philadelphia Press.

Rhetorical Increase.
The orator whom well we know
Is under way once more;
The man who makes two words to grow
Where there was one before.
—Washington Star.

"DEAR" FRIENDS.



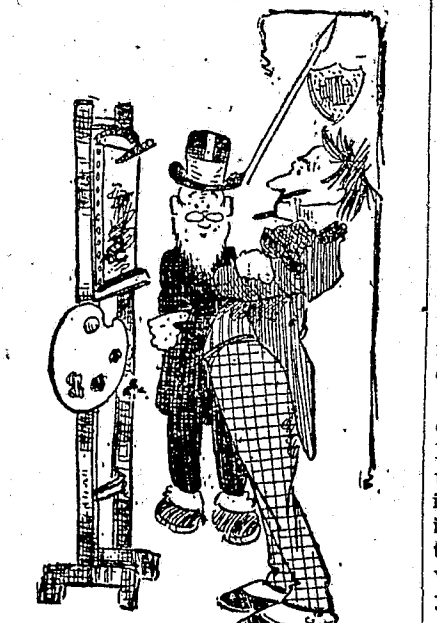
ON THE "FRIENDS" YOU MAKE WHEN IN HIGH ESTATE.
THE ONES WHO WOULD SHARE YOUR REMONY.
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THE MOMENT THEY HEAR YOU ARE DOWNT.

The Groom's Smack.
"Oh, yes, George always comes home at the lunch hour," said the young bride to some of her girl friends.
"Doesn't he have time to eat much, I suppose?" said one of the girls.
"Oh, no, he only takes a smack and runs," said the innocent bride.
And then they all laughed.—Yonkers Statesman.

Her View of Him.
Nupop—Tom Browne is a fine, manly young fellow, isn't he?
Mrs. Nupop—I certainly can't agree with you. When he first saw our dear little baby he was just as cold and indifferent as—
Nupop—Of course. If he were womanly he would have gushed.—Philadelphia Press.

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HORTICULTURE

HOW TO PRUNE TREES.

Best Time and Manner of Performing the Work on Ornamental Trees.

Suckers may be removed at any time without injury and should not be allowed to grow. But severe pruning, as the removal of branches, is least injurious if performed during the dormant period. It is also better to prune in early spring, near the close of the period of rest, because exposed, unhealed wounds may cause damage from drying and infection by injurious fungi. Maples, however, must not be pruned when the sap flows freely from the wounds, as this tends to waste valuable food reserve, something which should be avoided.

Now the question arises, where and how shall the cut be made? If you will examine the branch to be cut near its supporting member, you will find a slight swelling in the bark. This is made by the cambium layer—the layer of plant tissue between wood and bark in which growth takes place. Just beyond this swelling will be found a more or less distinct line, marking the junction of the cambium layer of the supporting member and of the branch. The cambium layer of the supporting member will heal over promptly a wound made at this point, but if made much beyond, it will not. And, since there is no leaf surface on the branch stump beyond the wound, there is no chance for the cambium layer of the branch to repair the injury. This stump will decay in time and permit the entrance of fungi that will eventually reach the heartwood and prepare the way for the final destruction of the tree.

Large wounds should be painted with lead and oil paint to preserve the wood. The cut should be made at right angles to the branch rather than parallel to the supporting member, and from both sides, as shown in the illustration at A. At B the branch is cut from above only and a serious injury results. At C the branch is cut off too far from the supporting member.

Dead or dying branches should be promptly cut off, as they invite inward decay. In pruning for symmetry, the form that is natural to the particular species of the variety should be encouraged. The elm, for instance, develops an open, spreading the top, and should not be pruned to form a roundish, more compact head like the sugar maple. If the trunk is too slender, branching may be induced by pinching or disbudding, especially in coniferous plants, like the Norway spruce, the more prominent terminal growing joints and by cutting back the top.

The idea that shade trees need no care whatever, says the Orange Judd Farmer, is entirely erroneous. Just as the garden requires weeding and periodical hoeing, the shade tree needs pruning and other attention. Give your trees as much care as you would if they were yielding \$100 each annually and you will be surprised at the result.

SALT FOR ASPARAGUS.

Opinion of W. F. Massey, an Authority on Fertilizers, as to Its Use.

It has long been thought that in some way an application of salt was a help to the asparagus crop. This has probably grown out of the fact that asparagus is a marine plant, and in a wild state grows along the beaches just above high-water mark. It may be that, in common with some other marine plants, the asparagus may be able to use soda, though in the case of plants growing on uplands and away from the sea, it has long been proved that soda cannot replace potash, and there is no doubt that, even if asparagus can use some soda, it will not even in this plant replace potash. The chief use of salt in the growing of asparagus is that the weeds that infest the soil cannot survive a dose of salt that the asparagus does not mind. The salt, too, tends to promote the moisture-retaining character of the soil, and may, to some extent, dissolve in the soil matters of use to the plant. But we have long since found that we can give the plant all the salt that may be of any value to it by applying, in the fall, about 500 pounds of kainite per acre. I say apply this in the fall, for in the spring the effect of the salt might be to check nitrification, and hence retard growth of the stalks, while, if applied in the fall, the salt will be pretty well washed out by spring and the crop will get the potash that it needs and can be supplied with nitrogen and phosphoric acid in the spring dressing.

THE SMALL FRUIT.

In most of our markets the demand for cherries is not supplied. If you market your garden produce, plan to plant what your customers prefer; but if the garden is for home use, consult with the housewife. Leave parsnips and salsify in the ground until spring. Freezing benefits and does not hurt them, and they thus retain the fresh crispness so appreciated in any vegetable.—Farm Journal.

CLEAN UP THE FARM.

Good Time of Year to Rid the Ground of Brush and Second-Growth Stuff.

This is a good time of the year to clear up any parts of the farm which may have grown up to brush or second-growth stuff. We have been working for a number of years on such a piece of land on the back end of our farm, writes a correspondent of the Farmers' Review. This once had been all out of clean and a piece of wheat grown there. But after that it had been permitted to grow up small saplings, some of them five or six inches in diameter. Along in the fall we went at it, when other work did not press, and cut a strip of this timber off. The largest saplings were trimmed up for wood, the brush piled neatly and burned later when thoroughly seasoned. We cut the brush off close to the earth, and have now the satisfaction of knowing that when chopped at this season of the year, little if any sprouts will come up to trouble us.

The white clover came in thickly where we cut the brush off, and today we have a number of acres of splendid pasture, where a little while before we had only a tangle of brush, briars and small trees, from which we realized little or nothing in the way of profit. Most farmers have such places. They do not yield a single cent of value in their present condition, but might be made to bring in a handsome revenue if treated as I have suggested. We have learned that fall is the best time to cut such a piece of brush. If cut later in winter the sprouts will almost surely spring up to trouble you and compel you in the course of a few years to do the work all over again. I do not think the old rule of doing these things in the old of the moon in August amounts to anything. The moon has no part in that sort of business; but I do think that when the sap is up in the top and the branches are well matured, the brush is far more apt to die than when cut at any other season of the year.

FERTILIZERS FOR TOMATO.

Better Results Obtained Sometimes from Commercial Fertilizers.

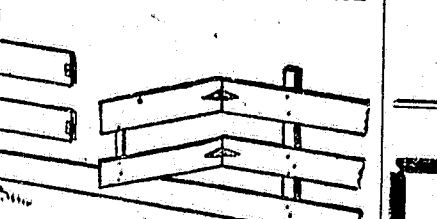
Of all the crops grown by the market gardener none is more generally used than the tomato. It is a crop that may be quite generally grown on nearly all soils, the commercial production from soils varying all the way from light sand to heavy clay, although the loam is undoubtedly the best adapted. In the case of light, sandy soils, the irrigation must be practiced to a greater or less extent. The main feature of profitable culture of the tomato is the maintenance of a rapid steady growth. The crop is a large user of water, and if a heavy crop is to be obtained, this drinking habit of the plant must be liberally met. The plant is also a heavy feeder. Its yield is not infrequently upward of ten tons of fruit per acre.

Farmyard manure may be used on this crop when grown for canning purposes, but in a long-continued stretch of warm weather, especially in western states, there is danger of drying out of the soil on account of the large amount of vegetable matter incorporated with the soil. The better plan is to substitute for this nitrate of soda, accompanied by the necessary mineral foods, potash and phosphoric acid. As much as 200 pounds per acre of nitrate of soda can often be used at a profit upon this crop as soon as the plants are well rooted, the fertilizer being well worked into the soil. Previous to planting, the extent of 400 pounds of superphosphate and 150 pounds of sulphate of potash. Such a mixture has not only a favorable action in increasing the yield, but also adds to flavor and color of the fruit.

SHORT CUTS ACROSS LOTS

How a Convenient Fence Gate Can Be Made to Save Many a Step on the Farm.

F. O. Sibley suggests in Agriculture the method here illustrated to get "across lots" by the shortest cut. If the fence is a wire fence, have in con-



HANDY CROSS LOTS' GATE.

venient places a length of board fence which can be arranged as here shown. The device is inexpensive and constructed in very little time, yet may save a great many steps in the course of a season.

HOME-MADE COAL HOD.

How a Grocery Box May Be Made to Do as Good Service as a Store Hod.

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